

ABSTRACT

[00035] A learned upload time estimate is derived from historical uploading information. This involves reviewing historical uploading information for previous uploads. To determine if there is a match or likeness between information of files presently selected for uploading and the historical uploading information for any of the previous uploads, the size of these files is combined to produce an upload size. The size and timestamp of the current upload is compared against the size and timestamp of each of the previous uploads. If a match with a previous upload is found its actual time is used as the learned estimate upload time. If a match or likeness is not found, an average transfer rate is computed from the historical uploading information for the previous uploads. From the average transfer rate and upload size a learned upload time estimate is derived and provided to a client for display to a user.